

**Questions received to date
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Please note: these questions regard the current courtroom audio system.

1. How many vendors have been invited to submit proposals?

Six vendors were personally invited, though the RFP is open to any interested parties.

2. Regarding the loss of testimony mentioned in the RFP, do you mean it has been lost on the digital recording device?

Yes.

3. What type of radio signals are you receiving, two-way or broadcast?

Broadcast.

4. When do you pick up these radio signals?

Intermittently. It's impossible to duplicate.

5. Is the FTR Mixer "portable"?

Only in the sense that it is small, lightweight, and not rack-mounted. We do not move it from the clerk's desk.

6. Are all microphones heard on all channels?

Yes.

7. Are you open to proposals that involve replacing existing equipment not specifically mentioned in the Statement of Work (e.g., microphone cable, speaker cable)?

Yes.

8. Do you usually have a lot of people in the gallery (the visitor's seating area in the back of the courtroom)?

No.

9. Regarding teleconferences, how many parties are involved in a typical conference?

The courtroom plus two additional parties for a total of three.

10. Do you have a third-party bridge for teleconferences?

No.

11. Does the clerk establish the connection between all teleconference participants and the courtroom?

Yes.

12. Can the clerk turn up the volume on the teleconference participant?

Only by getting inside the equipment closet and turning up that channel on the mixer. This is not practical and is not usually done.

13. Do you have echo and volume problems during teleconferences?

Yes. They are intermittent and hard to duplicate. "Band-Aid" fixes have typically been done to solve them as needed.

14. Do you have sound problems when participants speak close to the microphone?

Yes. Static.

15. Does the FTR mixer attach to the PC's own sound card or to one provided by FTR?

A special card provided by FTR.

16. Who is the current vendor for the courtroom audio system?

FXC Communications.

17. Do you need video recording and/or playback?

Not at this time, but we are open to suggestions for video capabilities as we may need them in the future.

18. How do you handle video currently?

A TV and VCR or DVD is brought into the courtroom for playback of video recordings introduced into evidence.

19. Is the sound from the video captured on the audio recording?

Yes. The microphones pick up the sound.